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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examining the above referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

On the first page above "Cross-Referenced Applications", please add the following sentence to the specification:

--This is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/US01/31333 filed on October 05, 2001 and titled "Microfluidic Substrate Assembly and Method for Making Same."--

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### REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to recite priority information. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted, Strand et al.

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